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HAND DELIVERED

Mr. Charles R. Mundy  
SANTA CLARA WASTE WATER COMPANY  
P. O. Box 3239  
Ventura, California 93006-3239

Subject: CEASE AND DESIST ORDER-SANTA CLARA WASTEWATER  
(Industrial Wastewater Discharge Permit No. OC-8)

Dear Mr. Mundy:

The letter serves to inform you that the City of Oxnard Wastewater Treatment Plant recently received a slug discharge that caused an exceedance of our maximum daily effluent limit for Gross Beta radioactivity.

In response to this exceedance, Technical Services Program-Source Control (TSP-SC) staff initiated an investigation to identify the source of the radioactivity. On September 24, 2014, TSP-SC staff collected a wastewater sample from your facility at the sample port on Wooley Road and Richmond Avenue. The sample results indicated a Gross Beta concentration of 4400 pCi/L. Pursuant to Section 19-104 and Section 19-25 of the Oxnard Municipal Code, you are hereby ordered to Cease and Desist discharges from your facility in violation of your permit. This step is being taken for the protection of the City's collection system and wastewater treatment plant, and for the protection of the environment, as allowed under City Code Chapter 19, Article I., Section 19-104 and 19-25. These sections state that:

**SEC. 19-104. CEASE AND DESIST ORDERS.**

*(A) When the city manager finds that a user has violated, or continues to violate, any provision of this article, an IWD permit or order issued hereunder, or any pretreatment standard or requirements, or that the user's past violations are likely to recur, the city manager may issue an order to the user directing the user to cease and desist all such violations and directing the user to:*

- (1) Immediately comply with all applicable requirements; and*
- (2) Take such appropriate remedial or preventive action as may be needed to properly address a continuing or threatened violation, including halting operations and/or terminating the discharge.*

*(B) Issuance of a cease-and-desist order shall not be a bar against, or a prerequisite for, the taking of any other against the user.*

**SEC. 19-25. PROHIBITED; DISCHARGE STANDARDS.**

*(A) No person shall introduce or cause to be introduced to the system, directly or indirectly, any pollutant or wastewater that causes pass through or interference. These general prohibitions apply to all persons, whether or not they are subject to categorical pretreatment standards or any other federal, State or local pretreatment standards or requirements.*

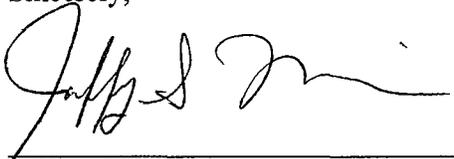
*(B) No person shall introduce or cause to be introduced into the system the following pollutants, substances, or wastewater:*

*(11) Wastewater containing any radioactive wastes or isotopes except in compliance with applicable State or federal regulations.*

You are hereby ordered to come into compliance with all of the conditions and requirements of your IWDP and Chapter 19 of the Oxnard City Code.

The implementation of this directive is essential to protect the collection system, worker health and safety, and public nuisance. Should you have any questions about this directive, please feel free to call Mr. Jeremy Grant, Wastewater Environmental Specialist, at (805) 385-3965.

Sincerely,



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Jeffrey S. Miller  
Interim Wastewater Superintendant